

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
CONTRACTS COMMITTEE
July 20, 2010
SPECIAL**

ATTENDANCE: Richard Paoletto, Co-Chair; Carlos Silva, Co-Chair; Martin McCarthy; Tom McCarthy, Council President

OTHER Lisa Trachtenburg, City Attorney Office
John Ricci, Sikorsky Airport
Tom Connelly, GAMA Aviation

Call to Order

Chairman Paoletto called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. and introduced the committee members in attendance as listed above, and stated that there was a quorum.

Agenda Item

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

** COUNCIL PRESIDENT TOM MCCARTHY MOTIONED TO
APPROVE
** COMMITTEE MEMBER MARTIN MCCARTHY
SECONDED
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**112-09 PROPOSED SALE AND GROUND LEASE AGREEMENT FOR
PROPERTY LOCATED AT SIKORSKY MEMORIAL AIRPORT
WITH GAMA AVIATION INC. FOR USE AS A CORPORATE
HEADQUARTER OPERATIONS.**

Lisa Trachtenburg passed out an amended resolution with changes the option for the 20 year extension (EXHIBIT A). It has been RFP'd and passed through Airport Commission heavily vetted. The client is concerned regarding timing for getting out of the lease and getting the specified funds before approval.

John Ricci spoke on behalf of the application stating the that building was used for flight services station using a system that is now defunct and replaced with a new system that no longer requires use of that building. The building itself has been empty for 18 months already and there is no operational use for it. It is better used for administrative functions. They can't sell the land because FAA not comfortable with that. So they can give a long term ground lease with sole use of the building, but the land will remain city owned.

Council President Tom McCarthy stated that he sits on the Airport Commission and this is a good thing because they will build up the airport industry by creating jobs. Even though it will be technically in Stratford, it will be good for the airport. There were many RFPs, and this one was the best for the city.

Co-Chairman Paoletto called for a motion to amend.

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOTIONED TO
AMEND THE ITEM WITH EXHIBIT A
** CO-CHAIRMAN SILVA SECONDED
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Co-Chairman Paoletto called for a motion to approve.

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOTIONED TO
AMEND THE ITEM WITH EXHIBIT A
** CO-CHAIRMAN SILVA SECONDED
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Co-Chairman Paoletto called for a motion to schedule a public hearing.

**** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY MOTIONED TO
AMEND THE ITEM WITH EXHIBIT A
** COMMITTEE MEMBER MARTIN MCCARTHY
SECONDED
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ADJOURNMENT

**** CO-CHAIRMAN SILVA MOTIONED TO AMEND THE
ITEM WITH EXHIBIT A
** COUNCIL PRESIDENT MCCARTHY SECONDED
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

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